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10 Examiner: Thu V. Huynh

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The Online Computer Library Center, Inc. ("OCLC"), a nonprofit computer

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the outstanding Office Action, dated June 26, 2002, please 25 amend the above-identified patent application as follows. A version of the amendments, which have been marked to show all changes, is included in the Appendix.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 1, as follows: 30

library service and research organization, provides a software tool, referred to as OCLC PURL ("Persistent Uniform Resource Locator"), for managing Internet addresses and aliases for general Internet resources. A Persistent Uniform Resource Locator provides flexible 35 naming and name resolution services for Internet resources to ensure reliable, long-term access to Internet resources with minimal maintenance. Generally, OCLC PURL assists Internet users in locating Web resources. As previously indicated, the Internet is constantly

to that URL become invalid, thereby preventing users from accessing the Internet resource. 40

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Submitted herewith is an Amendment and Response to Office Action relating to the above-identified patent application. There is no additional claim fee due in connection with the Amendment In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit **Deposit Account No. 50-0762** as required to correct the error. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully,

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